WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A clipping device comprising:

a sheath member to be inserted into a body cavity of a subject;

an operation wire inserted into the sheath member in a back/forth movable way;

a coupling member directly connected to a distal end of the operation wire; and

a clip for use in clipping a living tissue, the clip being detachably coupled to the coupling member and adapted to be closed by a pulling operation of the operation wire, in which the clip is separated in a closed state from the coupling member.

2. A clipping device according to claim 1, wherein the operation wire and coupling member are so fixed as to be nondetachable.

3. A clipping device according to claim 2, wherein the operation wire and coupling member are connected to each other by passing the operation wire through a hole of the coupling member and by turning the operation wire back.

4. A clipping device according to claim 2, wherein the operation wire and coupling member are connected to each other by welding.

5. A clipping device according to claim 4, wherein the operation wire and coupling member are coupled to each other by a laser process.

6. A clipping device according to claim 2, wherein the operation wire and coupling member are connected to each other by cramping.

7. A clipping device according to claim 1, further comprising an insertion tube fitted over an outer side of the sheath member.

8. A clipping device according to claim 7, further comprising a first operation means mounted near a base end of the insertion tube to allow the insertion tube and sheath member to be operated in a back/forth moving way; and a second operation means having a slider coupled to a base end of the operation wire and adapted to move the sheath member back and forth.

9. A clipping device according to claim 8, wherein the operation wire is turned back at a middle part, and the slider of the second operation means is fixed to the middle part.

10. A clipping device according to claim 1, wherein the coupling member has a clip latching hole, the clip latching hole having an opening to provide a hook-like hole to allow the clip to be detachably mounted to the coupling member.

11. A clipping device according to claim 7, wherein the insertion tube has an embossed inner surface.

12. A clipping device according to claim 7, wherein the insertion tube has an embossed outer

surface.

13. A clipping device according to claim 7, wherein the insertion tube has embossed outer and inner surfaces.

14. A clipping device comprising a clip fixable onto a living tissue, an insertion member for allowing the clip to be inserted into the living body cavity, and an operation device capable of performing an operation of fixing the clip onto the living body cavity, in which, when the clipping device is packaged, at least one clip is mounted on the insertion member.

15. A clipping device according to claim 14, further comprising a twice inadvertent clip attachment prevention feature which, after one clip initially mounted on the insertion member has been used and fixed onto a body cavity, another clip cannot be again mounted on the device and so used.

16. A clipping device according to claim 1, further comprising a twice inadvertent clip attachment prevention feature which, after one initially mounted clip has been used and fixed onto a body cavity, another clip cannot be again mounted on the device.